

IV ADMINISTRATION SET IDENTIFICATION SYSTEM

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A system is used for identifying IV administration set components, wherein
5 the IV set includes an IV solution container, a drip chamber having a hollow spike
for introduction into the container, and an IV line for delivering the IV solution to a
patient. The system includes a first identification element that is removably attached
to the drip chamber for subsequent attachment to the container; a second
10 identification element permanently affixed to the drip chamber; and a third
identification element that is either permanently or removably attached to a Y-site or
port in the IV line. In a preferred embodiment, the first identification element is a
strip or patch that is adhesively attached to the drip chamber in a manner that will
allow it to be removed therefrom for subsequent attachment to the container. The
15 second identification element is a marker, preferably a strip or a patch, that is
permanently affixed to the drip chamber. The third identification element is integral
with or removably attached to a Y-site or port that is part of the IV line. The first,
second, and third identification elements bear matching identification symbols.